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The cooking and laundry classes, which opened last week at the Athenaeum, are now fully working. All branches of these subjects receive attention but what, in our opinion, deserves most notice is the high-class cooking. These lessons take place every Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 p.m., when a great variety of fancy dishes may be learnt.

HARBOUR BOARD.—Mr J E Goodbody presided at the meeting of the Board yesterday. There were also present—Mr James Quin, J P; Mr Wm Holliday, Mr J H Roche and Alderman O'Mara. The financial business having been disposed of, the Board adjourned on the motion of Mr Holliday, seconded by Mr Roche, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr J P Gaffney, T.C.

THE LATE REV. DR. CROOK.—The Rev James Robinson, Vice-President of the conference of the Methodist Church, has suggested that, with the permission of the family, a suitable monumental headstone should be erected at Dr Crook's grave in Ballingane by the ministers of the Irish Conference as an expression of their fraternal love for one so widely known and esteemed. He also suggests that, in addition to above, his life should be commemorated in a wider sense.

THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF FORESTERS.—Mr Samuel Martin, of Douglas Road, Cork, has been appointed Organizing Deputy for the South of Ireland for the Independent Order of Foresters. The growth of this well-known Friendly Society has been remarkable indeed. In 1881 its total membership numbered 1,019 with a surplus of £938, while to-day its members number 120,000 with a surplus of nearly £500,000. These facts are an eloquent proof of the widespread popularity of the I.O.F.

MADAME ANTOINETTE STERLING'S GRAND CONCERT.—Though the date is considerably ahead, it is interesting to make the preliminary announcement that a brilliant concert party, under the direction of Mr Farley Sinkins, of London, will visit the Theatre Royal on Wednesday, the 3th December. It will include Madame Antoinette Sterling, the celebrated ballad vocalist; Miss Edith Roma, soprano; Madame Inverni dramatic contralto; Mr Loy Vernon, tenor; Mr Albert Archdeacon, baritone, and Mr Gordon Tanner, solo violinist.

THE ROYAL IRISH REGIMENT.

The London correspondent of the Freeman says: "The ridiculous story circulated the other day as to the unwillingness of the Royal Irish Regiment to go into action in the Indian frontier fight has already been exploded by the receipt of authentic news from the front. Irish regiments are not in the habit of showing signs of funk at a critical moment, and the story when it was told obtained little credence. It now appears that it originated in a Lahore paper, which stated that there had been trouble with certain regiments at the front, that discipline was slack in the British regiments, and that there had been one case of cowardice in front of the enemy. Some colour was lent to these statements by the fact that several regiments had returned from the front, one of them being the Royal Irish Regiment. It has been made clear that four companies of the Royal Irish had been suffering severely from fever and dysentery and were ordered down. Two companies remained at the front, and actually took part in the fighting.

The greatest indignation is expressed by the officers and men of the Royal Irish Regiment in Limerick against the accusation which has been made against the 2nd Bata. Lieutenant Colonel Spyer addressed the men on parade on Saturday, and said the accusation would be sifted to the bottom.

LITERARY CLASS PROTESTANT YOUNG MEN'S ASSOCIATION.

The opening meeting of this Class will be held on Friday evening next, when the President, the Rev T F Abbott, will deliver his inaugural address the subject being the most important and interesting one, "Reading and the Choice of Books." We notice that a very attractive programme for the first half of the session has been issued, and it is to be hoped that the interest in this branch, which devotes itself to the development of the intellectual faculties, will very materially increase, and that the attendance of the members and their friends will be large and representative.

"SAUCY SALLY."

A highly amusing comedy, "Saucy Sally," by F C Barnard, will be performed at the Theatre Royal on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday next, by Mr Frank Curson's Company, and from what we hear of it, we have no doubt it will receive a very liberal share of patronage. A Cork contemporary, in which city it was produced quite recently, says:—"A titter, which many times became loud laughter, prevailed, and it was little wonder, having regard to the generous manner in which the editor of Punch has attired of the time-honoured favourites of fate, but resources that have not yet lost their influence. The room that has many doors which liear who lands himself and other people in ever-increasing difficulties are not to be escaped from, no matter what the fashion of the day in the ser-

FUNERAL OF THE LATE MR. L. B. SWITZER.

The remains of this deeply lamented young gentleman were removed yesterday morning at ten o'clock from the residence of his father, 4 Victoria Terrace, for interment at St Munchin's Churchyard. The funeral was very large and of a most representative character, all classes and creeds being present to pay a last mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, and a very touching feature in the procession was the numerous attendance of the members of the Protestant Young Men's Association, and the Limerick A & B Bicycle Club, with both of which institutions "Lorry Switzer," as he was popularly known, had been prominently identified. Six members of the latter club—Mr W L Stokes, Mr J S Gaffney, solicitor, Mr A J Eakin, Mr Jackson-Harris, Mr George Ryan, C E, and Mr Ralph Nash, solicitor, walked at the head of the hearse. All the business houses were shuttered as the cortege passed through the streets, and the blinds of the Protestant Young Men's Association were drawn. The chief mourners were—Mr Robert Willoughby Switzer, father; Mr Fred Switzer and Mr Hermon Switzer, brothers; Mr E T Belshaw, brother-in-law of the deceased, and Mr George Belshaw. To give a full list of the general public would be impossible, but the following were amongst those present—Rev F R Carr, Rev J Dowd, Rev C V Atkinson, Rev J E Green (Methodist Church), Mr E H Poe, hostler, Mr J O G Delaney, D L; Mr E de Ros, J P; the Mayor, the Town Clerk, Mr Archibald Murray, President P Y M A, Mr J Hamilton, Financial Secretary, do; Mr Rusk, Librarian; Mr J Morton, manager Provincial Bank; Mr Vereker, do; Mr F G M Kennedy, J P; Mr P R Topplin, Dr Myles, Dr Fogarty, Mr W Christie, son; Mr W Christie, junr; Mr John Guinane, J P; Mr W F O'Grady, J P; Mr C H Pitt, Sub-Sheriff; Mr Blennerhasset, Mr Hogan, and Mr P O'Dea, of the Estate Office of Mr Hosford, where deceased had been manager; Mr F M Pitt, solr; Mr W B Pitt, Mr E G Pitt, Mr James Goodwin, Mr W J Walsh (Secretary Cannon & Co); Mr Welpley, Mr James Flynn, Cruise's Hotel; Mr John McNamara, P L G; Mr E Baker, Mr A Barnett, Mr James Delaney, Mr O Wallace, Mr J Wallace, Messrs E C & C B Wallace, Mr E C Winter, V S; Mr B Plummer, Mr Caruthers, Mr John Boyd, Mr Neslor, Mr Alfred Baker, Mr S E Lee, Mr R J Lee, Mr Jackson Jones, Mr Ball, Mr F P Hook, Mr A McNab, Mr Donnellan, Captain Geo Hunt, Mr W L Hunt, Mr E Hunt, Mr R Hunt, Mr W Holliday, Mr W Hosford, Mr R Evans, Mr J T C Day, Mr J H Thompson, Mr T L Dyer, Mr G O Ledger, Mr D Tidmarsh, Mr P Hartigan, Mr R T Leary, Mr Gulen, Mr W J Howell, Mr P Moloney, Mr A Enright, Mr S Bernal, Mr C Corneille, Mr W Walpole, Mr Doherty, Kilke, Mr C Hill, Mr P T Dunne, Cork Herald; Mr J A Baldwin, Chronicle; Mr W Thompson, Plumber; Mr John McNamara, Mr P Brinn, Mr F Johnston, Mr D O'Donovan, Mr M J Riordan, Mr H Stepling, Mr McAnay (Plumber); Mr R Harris, Messrs Ehill; Mr Dawson, Mr Paul Eggers and Mr McArthur, Todd and Co; Mr A Hawker, Mr George Owens, Mr E J Long, Mr Teasdale, Battrington street; Mr A Conyngham, Mr Cleland, Mr F Hill, Mr W Fox, Model School; Mr J B Snyth, Mr J Egan, Mr V Nash, J P, Mr John Ryan (Ryan and Sons, builders), Mr James Pife, Mr J R Guest, Mr Winter, Caherconish; Mr S Winter, do; Mr Hugh Corle, Mr W Baxendale, Mr Nestor, Mr H Ash, Mr B Barrington, solr, Mr E A Wickham, Mr W Nelson, Mr R Hanns, Mr R Smith, Mr Teskey, Patrickswell; Mr Hance, Mr F B Angley, Mr E W Angley, Mr Missy Hawson, Mr Meade, Ellen street; Mr J McGhie, Mr McKennis, Mr J Wilkinson, Mr T E Bunting, Mr J Stewart, Mr H L Stewart, Mr W M Beauchamp, solr; Mr H Christie, Mr R McCartie, Mr W Waugh, Mr J Kennedy, etc.

Amongst those who sent carriages, were—Mr J G G Delaney, D L; Mr E de Ros, J P; Mr W L Stokes, J P; Mr W B Pitt, Mr E C Winter, Mr R Gibson, Mr A Teskey, Patrickswell; Mr Winter, Caherconish; Mr Wallace, Dr Myles, etc.

The coffin, which was strewn with beautiful wreaths, was conveyed to the church and to the grave by the six gentlemen already named, who had walked immediately beside the hearse. The Rev Mr Carr officiated, and in the course of the service delivered a very affecting address, which visibly moved many friends as they heard this tribute to the sterling qualities of a loved and dear comrade, of whose exemplary life, strict integrity, and generous nature too much could not be said.

As the coffin was being taken into the church, and then to the grave, the Dead March in Saul and Beethoven's Funeral March were played on the organ by Mr McClelland, organist of the St Michael's Church.

Wreaths were sent by the following—"From mother and sisters in loving memory of their darling"; "Mollie and Dick, in loving remembrance of dear Lorry"; Mr and Mrs Belshaw, with deepest sympathy; Mrs Parsons and family; Miss Parsons, Mr and the Misses Wordleighton, Mr and Mrs Wilkinson, Miss O'Shea, Mr and Mrs McArthur, Mr Sam Bernal, Mr and Mrs Nestor, Mr and Mrs Brock and family, Mrs Hawker and family, the Amateur Athletic and Bicycle Club, and Cricket Club, Mr Walter Baxendale.

Owing to indisposition, the Archdeacon was unable to be present, and to officiate at the funeral.

METHODIST HOME MISSIONS.

The annual public meeting under the auspices of the Methodist Home Missions was held last night in the Methodist Church, George street. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied by Mr G F Hara. Prayers having been said by the Rev John E Green, the annual report was read by the Rev Wm Meara, and was found to be satisfactory both as regards the financial condition of the Home Missions fund and the progress which the work has made.

The Chairman introduced the Rev Wesley Guard, who would deliver a lecture on the subject, "Ireland during the Victoria Era, her present needs and future prospects." He remarked that it afforded him special pleasure to preside at this, the first annual meeting of the united congregations of the churches of Bedford Row and George street.

The Rev Mr Greene having addressed the congregation, the Rev Wesley Guard, who was cordially received, proceeded to deliver his lecture. He said he had not even the privilege of selecting his own subject, as it had been selected for him (laughter); but under the circumstances he would treat it in the best manner that his abilities would allow. The lecturer then proceeded to deal with the political, social, intellectual, moral, and religious changes which had taken place in Ireland during the reign of her Most Gracious Majesty the Queen. If his subjects were not confined to Ireland he would have a very wide range of material to treat upon, as during the Victorian Era changes of a most remarkable kind had occurred in every department of the government of every nation on the earth. Within the last sixty years there had been great political changes in Ireland, and many of the disabilities which the country laboured under had in that time disappeared. There had been great civil privileges extended to all classes of the population. There had been great social changes, and great educational changes, and nothing would create a purer spirit amongst the people than religion and education. Since 1832 there had been provision made for the primary education of the Irish people. In the year '46 or '47 the Queen's Colleges were established, and the Queen had established a University which was not surpassed by Oxford or any of the other great English Universities. There was a time when disabilities existed, but that had gone. The highest legal positions in the land were now open to persons of all religions. Alluding to the recent changes which had been wrought, the lecturer touched on the great famine year. In that year the Government contributed six millions of money to meet the terrible distress. The population of the country, which was then seven or eight millions, was now only four and a half millions; and although some of the people, it might be said, left their country for their country's good, still many great men left their country, and made a name for themselves which was a credit and an honour to Ireland (applause).

The lecturer then dealt with the religious changes which had taken place since the Disestablishment of the Church. With reference to the work done by the Irish Church during the past twenty-five years, they could look with pride on the result, and he would venture to say that not even the great English Church could boast of having made greater progress (applause). They had built churches and sent preachers of the Gospel and of truth to every land.

The Rev T B Robertson also addressed the meeting, and a collection having been made, the proceedings closed with prayer. Hymns were sung during the evening. Mr James A. Boyd presided at the organ.

NEWFALLS PETTY SESSIONS.—To-day (FROM OUR REPORTER.) These sessions were held to-day, before Lieutenant-Col E C Evanson, R.M. (presiding), Lieutenant-Col T H DeBurgh, Mr Arthur C Laffan, and Mr R O'Kennedy.

INTERESTING GAME PROSECUTION. A prosecution was brought at the suit of Mr Robert Saunders and Lieutenant-Col T H DeBurgh against Patrick Duane for trespassing in pursuit of game on the lands of Gurtavalla. Mr J H Moran, Limerick, appeared for the defendant.

Michael McNamara deposed that on the 24th of last month he found the defendant on the lands of Gurtavalla with a dog and gun; the dog was "baying" about the fields. Mr Charles Sanders was about to ask the witness some questions when Mr Moran said that the complainant in the summons was Mr Robert Saunders. Mr Charles Sanders—I am my brother's agent over the property. Colonel Evanson—I am afraid you have no locus standi. Mr Moran—He has not, sir, and I must object to your hearing him. Mr Charles Sanders—I would ask you to amend the summons. Mr Moran—I must object to that altogether. The witness McNamara, in reply to Colonel Evanson, said the defendant had a "game" dog with him. Colonel Evanson—What sort of game is on the land? Witness—Pheasant and partridge. Mr Moran—Do you know who is the tenant of these lands? Witness—I believe it is Michael Connell. Mr Moran—Who is the landlord? Witness said he believed that the Governors of Erasmus Smith's School were the landlords.

CORPORATION COMMISSIONERS AND REPAIRS.

The Mayor presided. Also present, Mr M McDonnell, Mr Mr John O'Donnell; with Mr Wm Clark, Mr Forrest, Street Superintendent Harold, Depot Superintendent. Arising out of the wages sheet, saving of £8 in comparison with the corresponding period of the previous year.

Mr McDonnell said that that was satisfactory, but he should like to see the Mayor—We had the funeral Switzer yesterday morning, and it was very bad; I never saw them with Mr Forrest in charge of it what is his excuse for that state of affairs? Mr McDonnell—Why was not that out in the morning? Mr Forrest—I have a report that, and I wish to be allowed to see the Mayor as to the condition of his district on yesterday morning, same excuse as that of Mr Forrest, I know there was to be a funeral here, cleaned the streets. He had, however, them on Friday and Saturday last.

The Mayor—But they were bad on Monday. Mr Costelloe—It must be the weather. A caution was administered to Mr Costelloe to be more careful in future.

TENDERS. Two tenders were submitted for the contract. The tender of Mr John Right street, was accepted for the horse for the coming year. The Thomas Hanly, 22 Gerald Griffin accepted for new material on terms:—Collars, 10s each; staddles, 10s; winkers, 5s. Nine tenders were received for colours. They were referred to a committee to furnish a tabulated statement showing the cost of each.

A letter was read from Captain A.intendent of the Fire Brigade, stating that the Fire Brigade had accepted for the coming year. The Thomas Hanly, 22 Gerald Griffin accepted for new material on terms:—Collars, 10s each; staddles, 10s; winkers, 5s. Nine tenders were received for colours. They were referred to a committee to furnish a tabulated statement showing the cost of each.

The Mayor—If he does his duty, necessary for Mr Forrest to send his How did that occur? Mr Forrest—I don't think, sir, the made here are carried out. There man sent out. The Mayor asked one of the Fire- cials present, named Sciacia, if a ma out every morning, as stated by Cap Sciacia—One man is sent out. Mr McDonnell said it was little us man out. "All he did was to open a and let the water go away. He sug- short pieces of canvas hose should be present system was only a waste of waste of water.

Mr Harold stated that he could Fire Brigade men with a length of time being. An order was made that a man from the fire station every morning lanes and channels, hose to be sup- Harold. A letter was read enclosing two res dealing with the sanitation of the city upon the Corporation, the necessi- distly making connections with the where such connections were not al- also that plans of houses in process of submitted to the City Surveyor, and t tradesman should only be elected to t of sub-sanitary officer. (2) The sac- tion dealt with the half-pay question ing the indiscriminate granting of every employee of the Corporation th- apply for it.

Mr McDonnell—I am with them in way. Many ratepayers cannot affo- ment when sick. Many of the men sickness on them through drink and must get half pay to recover. The Mayor said there were some